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Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Jeffrey L. Sterrett	2838	

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-5, 9-11 and 16-18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 6-8, 12-15, 19 and 20 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 16 April 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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1. Claims 9-15 are objected to because in line 3 of claim 9 "the peak detection unit" lacks any proper antecedent basis. It is noted that "a peak detection unit" is not recited until later in line 2 of claim 10. Appropriate correction is required.

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

3. Claims 1-5, 9-11, and 16-18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Phadke (US 6,714,29).

Phadke discloses a power supply current limiting adjusting system comprising a voltage identification module (62, 63, 65, and 72 basically) coupled to an input line (ACL and ACN) providing a signal representative of the voltage level of the input line and a current limit module (the rest of 110) that receives the signal and provides a current limit signal that has a value related to the input line voltage.

4. Claims 12-15 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection set forth above in this Office action.

5. Claims 6-8, 19, and 20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Watson et al (US 5,559,660), Balakrishnan et al (US 6,781,357), and Shteynberg et al (US 6,972,969) are cited to show input voltage responsive power supply current limiting adjusting systems old and known in the art at the time of the invention.

Bailly (US 5,783,933), Perry (US 6,343,026), Miyazaki (US 6,735,064), and Hodge (US 6,862,201) are cited to show power supply current limiting systems old and known in the art at the time of the invention.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey L. Sterrett whose telephone number is (571) 272-2085. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday & 8:00am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Karl D. Easthom can be reached on (571) 272-1989. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

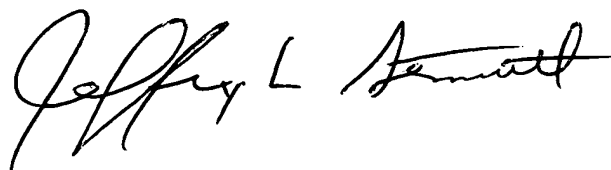
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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "B".